

RESOLUTION 107-2017

Resolution to Provide Fire Protection to Other Public Entities

Cuyahoga County, Ohio

Be It Resolved by the Township Trustees of Olmsted Township

WHEREAS, this date, September 13, 2017, Trustee Fischbaen moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, Olmsted Township created and operates the Olmsted Township Fire Department (the "Fire Department"), which provides fire protection, prevention and suppression services for the unincorporated territory of the township, and;

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 9.60 authorizes a fire department of any township or fire district to provide fire protection to any county, municipal corporation, or township of this state, to a park district, or to any other governmental entity or jurisdiction (commonly referred to as "Mutual Aid"), without a contract, and;

WHEREAS, in the absence of a contract to provide fire protection, R.C. 9.60 requires adoption of a resolution of the governing board of the firefighting agency for the purpose of effectuating Mutual Aid service, and;

WHEREAS, providing and receiving additional fire protection by Mutual Aid, in the case of an emergency, is in the best interests of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Olmsted Township and Cuyahoga County, Ohio, and;

WHEREAS, the Olmsted Township Board of Trustees desires to memorialize through the passage of this Resolution the authority of the Fire Department, consistent with authorization and any policy promulgated by the Fire Chief of the Fire Department, to extend Mutual Aid fire services.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby RESOLVED by the Board that:

1. In the event of an emergency, and upon the request of any county, municipality, township, township fire district, joint fire district, park district or other governmental entity or jurisdiction, by its highest ranking officer on-duty at the time of the emergency, the Fire Department may furnish fire manpower and equipment within the jurisdiction of the county, municipality, township, township fire district, joint fire district, park district or other public entity, provided the Fire Department's highest ranking on-duty officer is of the opinion that the fire manpower and equipment is available.

2. Any fire manpower or equipment being furnished upon any request for Mutual Aid assistance may be recalled at the sole discretion of the Fire Department's highest ranking on-duty officer.

3. When, in the event of an emergency, the Fire Department, by its highest ranking officer on-duty at the time of the emergency, calls for assistance from any county, municipality, township, township fire district, joint fire district or park district fire agency, that Fire Department officer must state the nature of the specific emergency, provide an estimate of the

personnel and equipment needed, along with directions as to the location where the assistance is needed.

4. Neither the township nor the Fire Department will seek any reimbursement from any entity or agency requesting Mutual Aid assistance for any costs incurred in providing a response. Similarly, no reimbursement will be made to any entity or agency which extends Mutual Aid assistance in response to an emergency request made by the Fire Department.

5. Pursuant to R.C. 9.60, Chapter 2744 of the Revised Code shall apply to the Fire Department, its officers and all in command, when such persons are rendering fire services in accordance with any request for Mutual Aid assistance outside of Olmsted Township.

6. The Fire Chief of the Fire Department is hereby authorized to promulgate and implement any policies or procedures to carry-out Mutual Aid assistance.




7. The dispatch operations for any Fire Department services rendered pursuant to any request for emergency Mutual Aid assistance shall be handled and documented in the same manner as other calls for Fire Department service within the township.

Trustee Zver seconded the Motion, and thereupon, the votes in favor of this Resolution were recorded and reflected by the signatures hereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board of Township Trustees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in a meeting open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Adopted the 13th day of September, 2017

Attest: 
Township Fiscal Officer




Township Trustees